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Subject: Feasibility of devolution of LHA and BRMA to the Welsh Government

Good morning John,

Last week there was a very interesting Westminster Hall debate on [Local Housing Allowance](#), which was led by Hywel Williams MP.

Mr. Williams called for several LHA measures including:

- For the UK Government to set LHA levels at the 30th percentile if not the 50th and for these rates to be increased annually to keep up with market rates.
- Reform of the Broad Rental Market Areas (BRMAs) to better reflect rental areas at smaller geographies.
- Devolution of LHA and BRMAs to the Welsh Government.

As Chair of the Senedd Local Government and Housing Committee, please could you consider adding an inquiry into the feasibility of devolving LHA and BRMAs to Wales on to the committee's work programme.

Should you require further discussion on this, then I would be delighted to meet with you to discuss.

Kind regards,
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